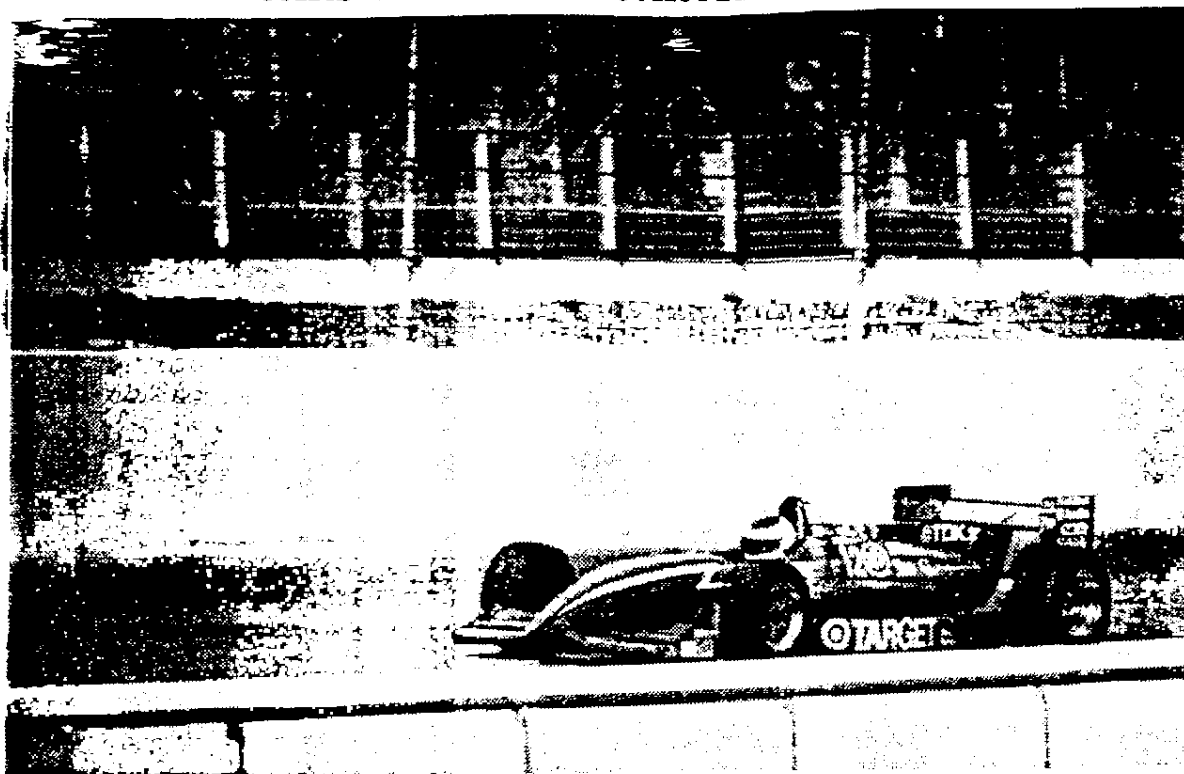


## INDY CARS READY TO ROAR AT HOMESTEAD



The inaugural week of IndyCar Spring Training at the Metro-Dade Homestead Motorsports Complex February 5-9 features a wide variety of activities -- all designed to give both race fans and the media an opportunity for a behind-the-scenes look at the stars of the PPG Indy Car World Series in their new-for-1996 race cars as they prepare for the season-opening Marlboro Grand Prix of Miami presented by Toyota in Homestead March 1-3.

*Photo: Jim Rubino*

In addition to timed practice sessions each day for PPG Indy Car and PPG-Firestone Indy Lights competitors, the five-day Spring Training event also will feature driver autograph sessions; technical inspection features; IndyCar Safety Team demonstrations and organized tours of the track, paddock and team transporters. Admission is \$3 daily and free to fans who have purchased Grand Prix tickets. Tickets to the Grand Prix will also be available for sale during the event.

(In addition to being open to the public throughout, the first three days of IndyCar Spring Training will be media days with organized press activities planned from mid-Monday through early Wednesday evening. Time also will be set aside for ample one-on-one interviews with IndyCar newsmakers and press rides in Indy Car Chief Steward Wally Dallenbach's Mercedes Benz C36 Safety Vehicle.)

Both the facility's oval and road course layouts will be used during the week. Both Monday's opening day activities, sponsored by Toyota and Tuesday's activities will be held on the 1.5 mile oval. An oval session will also take place on Wednesday morning

with shakedown runs Wednesday afternoon on the 2.21-mile road course layout which will be used until the close of Spring Training on Friday.

Wednesday's Fan Appreciation Day schedule, sponsored by Marlboro, includes water skiing and a special jet ski challenge on the infield lake for both IndyCar drivers, other celebrities and the media in addition to an infield Fan Festival.

Other special events scheduled during the week include a Welcome Barbecue for all teams, event participants and media on Monday; and a Calypso Beach Party for invited guests on Wednesday.

The end of Spring Training will mark the beginning of "IndyCars: the Science of Speed" at the Miami Museum of Science. The interactive, educational exhibit February 10-28 will feature the IndyCar Display Program as well as a showcar, pace vehicle and racing memorabilia.

The Metro-Dade Homestead Motorsports Complex is located in Homestead at Speedway Boulevard (SW 137th Avenue) and 336th Street and is easily accessible off of Florida's Turnpike from Speedway Boulevard, Campbell Drive (SW 312th Street) or via US-1 to Palm Drive (344th Street).

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